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EDITORIAL

Welcome back to Bruce Stadium, it has been a long time, and we missed you. The published fixture list shows that only Canberra missed out on three weekends which means that you haven't seen any P.S.L. matches for a whole month. Careful consideration must have been given to ensure that wherever two or more teams are, there is at least one home match each week. It would be far more logical if a three week spell was given to a team in one of the bigger cities because there is always another P.S.L. match to see. This is supposed to be the year of promotion but the draw doesn't do much for Canberra. While we are suffering from a loss of cash flow, we still have commitments, besides, we are losing contact with our regular supporters. More consideration must be given when working out the fixture list to clubs which, like Newcastle and Canberra, have no other clubs to provide a P.S.L. match. In addition a little more imagination should be shown so we don't have to go to Adelaide two weeks running or to Sydney two or three weeks running. Why not split it up. It provides more variety.

NEXT GAME

Next week, Saturday, 24 June, Canberra City plays Sydney Olympic at Bruce Stadium in Round 17 of the Philips Soccer League of Australia.

1978 FIXTURE LIST

ROUND 16 (17-18 June)

Sydney Olympic	v	West Adelaide
Adelaide City	v	Brisbane City
Fitzroy United	v	East. Sub. Hakoah
Marconi	v	Footscray
Newcastle United	v	South Melbourne
Canberra City	v	St George
Brisbane Lions	v	Western Suburbs

ROUND 17 (24-25 June)

South Melbourne	v	Brisbane Lions
East. Sub.	v	Footscray
Canberra City	v	Sydney Olympic
West Adelaide	v	Newcastle United
St George	v	Adelaide City
Brisbane City	v	Marconi
Western Suburbs	v	Fitzroy United

ROUND 18 (1-2 July)

Brisbane Lions	v	West Adelaide
Footscray	v	Western Suburbs
Fitzroy United	v	South Melbourne
East. Sub.	v	Brisbane City
Adelaide City	v	Marconi
Newcastle United	v	Canberra City
St George	v	Sydney Olympic

CANBERRA CITY GOALSCORERS

Ivan Gruicic	.....	7
Barry Byrne	.....	4
Lin Heywood	.....	1
Rian Stoddart	.....	1
Jimmy Cant	.....	1
Dion Stark	.....	1

HOME MATCH ATTENDANCE

City v West Adelaide	.....	6,100
City v Adelaide City	.....	6,485
City v Newcastle (rain)	.....	3,400
City v Fitzroy	.....	5,300
City v Footscray	.....	4,700
City v Marconi	.....	8,450
City v W. Suburbs (rain)	.....	5,420
Total	.....	39,855

Total attendance for all of last season, 23,150

CITY'S RESULTS THIS SEASON

City v West Adelaide	, home	1-1 draw.
City v Adelaide City	, home	2-2 draw.
Olympic v City	, away	1-2 win.
St George v City	, away	1-2 loss.
City v Newcastle	, home	2-2 draw.
Brisbane Lions v City	, away	2-2 draw.
City v Fitzroy	, home	2-2 draw.
City v Footscray	, home	1-1 draw.
Brisbane City v City	, away	1-0 loss.
City v Marconi	, home	0-0 draw.
East. Sub. Hakoah v City	, away	3-0 loss.
City v West Sub	, home	2-2 draw.
South Melb v City	, away	0-0 draw.
Adelaide City v City	, away	3-1 loss.
West Adelaide v City	, away	2-0 loss.

POINTS SCORE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	15	10	4	1	35	14	24
W. Adel	15	9	2	4	22	16	20
Easts	15	7	4	4	29	16	18
S. Melb	15	6	6	3	21	15	18
F'roy	15	5	6	4	21	21	16
Bris. L	15	4	8	3	20	21	16
Wests	15	5	5	5	26	27	15
Adel. C	15	5	4	6	19	21	14
Bris. C	15	6	2	7	19	22	14
N'castle	15	3	6	6	20	28	12
F'scray	15	3	6	6	11	17	12
C'berra	15	1	9	5	16	24	11
Olympic	15	3	5	7	17	26	11
St George	15	4	1	10	17	25	9

NEXT ISSUE

All copy for the next issue must be in the Editor's hand by Monday evening the 19th June. Copy may be left at the Club or with the Editor.

COCA-COLA SOCCER SKILLS CONTEST

Today, winners of the first heat of the Coca-Cola Basic Soccer Skills Contest will take the field, to compete in front of the soccer lovers of Canberra in their quarter-finals.

The contest is arranged in three age groups: U/12, U/14 and U/16. Three young players selected from Canberra City's colt team will be among the U/16 contestants.

To be eligible for the quarter-finals the boys must have received high marks in the first three heat events: Juggling — one foot; juggling — both feet; and heading. They have carried on to the quarter-finals the scores they had received in these early events, and these scores will be added to the scores they receive in event 4 today.

This event, the time trial, consists of a run to the goal from the half-way line with ball, and shooting. The player starts at the half-way line of the soccer field and progresses to the edge of the penalty area, whilst running and keeping the ball in the air, using only legitimate parts of the body to do so. The only other restriction is that the player must make at least six contacts

with the ball, between the half-way line and the penalty box. On reaching the edge of the penalty box, he must let the ball touch the ground, and without bringing it under control, shoot for goal. Should the ball touch the ground during the attempt, he must not stop but continue on in the knowledge that he has lost ten points. Contestants will be timed from the instant that they pass the half-way line until the ball passes the goal line.

The top six players in each age division will progress to the semi-finals and from there, to the grand final, which will be held at Bruce Stadium on 29th July, preceding the Canberra City-Brisbane City match.

The age group winner with the highest score in the grand final will go to Adelaide, with a parent, for the Australian Championship.

Coca-Cola Bottlers, Canberra, acknowledge the help of the Canberra City management in staging the trial at beautiful Bruce Stadium.

And we in Canberra City wish luck and skill for our three entrants.

New Club Premises

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**Our Junior Club of
the week is**

BELCONNEN SOCCER CLUB

The Belconnen Soccer Club whose boys serve as ballboys and guard of honour today was formed in 1969 soon after the opening of the first suburbs in the area as a district-based organisation with the intention of offering football to players of all ages and standards.

It was hoped that with a broad based junior structure, enough local talent would be forthcoming over the years to produce senior teams which can compete successfully with the established ethnically-based clubs and give soccer a wider district appeal and support.

In spite of the lack of success in this direction to date, this philosophy is still considered correct and for that reason, the club has remained a single unit, in spite of becoming numerically by far the biggest club in the A.C.T. JUNior League — and perhaps in Australia. From its beginning nine years ago when it fielded three junior teams, the club now has 74 junior teams between under 7 and under 17. Not surprisingly perhaps, the club has been the most successful in the Junior League, it has won the Club Championship every year since its inception.

Five years ago, as part of its objective of providing football for players of all standards, the club organised, in certain age groups, competitions consisting solely of teams from within the club, as well as entering teams in the A.C.T.-wide competition in these ages. The teams in the internal competition were formed on a suburban basis and it was intended that this competition would provide enjoyable sport for those not wishing to be involved in the more competitive, premiership-oriented A.C.T. competition. This system worked extremely well for three years. The Junior League regulation changes in 1977 resulted in Belconnen dividing its junior teams, administratively, into three geo-

graphical areas and entering all teams in the Junior League competitions.

Two of the ex-presidents of the club are well known personalities associated with football in the A.C.T. — Rod Jory and David Dillon. Another erstwhile president who will undoubtedly make a large contribution to the development of soccer in A.C.T. is Ken Carter who is presently a Vice-President of the A.C.T. Soccer Federation.

On a lesser, but equally important scale, the unselfish and willing contribution of the managers and coaches of junior teams in the club should be gratefully acknowledged — without them there would be no junior soccer.

If you wish to know more about the Belconnen Soccer Club, ring Mike Walsh

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Today's Programme

12.00 Coca-Cola Soccer Skills Contest, Quarter-Finals

1.00 Women's Soccer: Trans State Tramps v Kambah United

1.40 Women's Soccer: Canberra City Belles v Windmills

2.15 Karate exhibition

2.35 Presentation of the John Pfeiffer Best and Fairest Soccer Women award

3.00 CANBERRA CITY versus SAINT GEORGE-BUDAPEST

In the break the final heat of the Caulena City Cup will be run.

Welcome

Welcome St George. But what a way to celebrate your 21st birthday! Bottom of the ladder and the last half of the competition well underway.

No doubt St George are hoping for a far more successful second half of the season.

Canberra City — against Johnny Warren's old club — have always fared reasonably well. Today, hopefully, against the wooden-spooners is the day the home crowd have waited all season for — the day City wins at home.

City players will be mustard keen to achieve that. They have the greatest regard for Canberra City supporters.

But back to St George for a moment. When one looks at the depth of their squad — and the cost — one is staggered that it could be wooden-spooners.

They have men like Phil O'Connor — still rated one of Australia's best wingers — and others like Rudi Gnavi, the youthful

O'Shea brothers, John (20) and Michael (19), plus Brendan Grosse, Peter Hensman, Neville Morgan, George Harris, etc., etc.

Maybe — as St George must be one of the PSL's wealthiest clubs — they will now adopt the cheque book approach and try and buy success. One doubts it, St George have been around far too long to think that mere money works miracles.

Canberra, of course, wants maximum points . . . not just from this game but also next weekend's successive home match against Sydney Olympic.

If four points could be achieved — with the League ladder still so desperately close — City could pull back to the halfway mark.

Hopefully it is possible — for City's injury problems — for today at least — appear to be over and the team is at full-strength.

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Team Squads



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- 2 DANNY MOULIS
- 3 MIKE MILOVANOVIC
- 4 TONY HENDERSON
- 5 LUIS SALGADO
- 6 JOHN DAVIES
- 7 STEVE HOGG
- 8 IVAN GRUICIC
- 9 TERRY BYRNE
- 10 BRIAN STODDART
- 11 JOHN BROWN
- 12 PETER MARINELLO
- 13 IAN HEYWOOD
- 14 JIM CANT
- 16 GARY PARKER
- 17 GREG WILLETT
- 19 ROY STARK
- 20 DAVID LINDENMAYER

ST GEORGE

- Coach – J. VLASITS
- PETER HENSMAN
- PHIL O'CONNOR
- HOLMIK
- ACOSTA
- RUDI GNAVI
- PAUL JONES
- CARLOS MENDEZ
- JIM O'SHEA
- M. O'SHEA
- NEVILLE MORGAN
- GROSSE
- GEORGE HARRIS
- CLEMENCE
- HENDERSON
- COE

WELCOME TO WOMEN'S SOCCER

Canberra City is particularly pleased to welcome to Bruce Stadium four teams of ladies who will compete in two games each of 15 minutes each way commencing at 1 p.m.

Organised ladies' soccer has been played overseas for many years and more recently in some States in Australia.

The teams playing this afternoon are comprised of girls (and older women!) keen to play soccer as a social and competitive activity and who look forward to the formation of an organised women's competition in the A.C.T. in the near future.

What cannot be doubted is the enthusiasm which all the ladies bring to the Stadium today. With practically no facilities and very little if no experience they come to Bruce to entertain us and to take the first (albeit tentative) step in promoting women's soccer. Canberra City Soccer Club trusts that you will give them a good reception.

Your referee for the games is Doug Holman to whom the girls extend thanks and compassion.

The sponsors of today's PSL match, John Pfeiffer, has kindly donated trophies for the three fairest and best performances in the ladies' matches.

THE TEAMS

Trans State Tramps

(Sperry Univac)

Formed February 1978 with the support of Sperry Univac Computer Systems.

Team members drawn mainly from the Department of Defence, A.N.U., and the Commonwealth Teaching Service.

Experience — matches against Woden Valley Hospital, A.N.U., and a team from Cooma.

Colours — Royal blue with white trim.
Contact — Tina Jones Ph. (W) 65 3685.

Kambah United

Formed May 1978 with support from Kambah United Soccer Club.

Team members drawn from supporters of the parent club.

Experience — one game against Melrose

which was drawn 2-2.

Colours — Brown, white and gold

Contact — Ann Devlin Ph. (H) 31 8403.

Canberra City Belles

Formed two weeks ago! Promptly disowned by husbands, fathers, lovers and friends.

Team members are supporters of Canberra City.

Experience — at football, nil.

Colours — Gold and white

Contact — Ida Donda Ph. (W) 52 6323
(H) 88 1477.

The Windmills

Formed April 1978

Team members support Canberra City and live in Kambah-Wanniassa districts.

Experience — nil

Colours — red and white

Contact — Jean Ph. 31 0037 or Con Engel Ph. (H) 31 9178.

All the teams would welcome new members.

THE CANBERRA CITY CUP

The last heat of the Canberra City Cup for amateur athletes will be run during the half time break over 2400 metres.

There will be two semi-finals — the first during the Sydney Olympic match on the 24th June and the second during the Brisbane City match on the 29th July. The final will be run on the 12th August during the Eastern Suburbs match.

So far the following athletes have qualified for the semi finals:

Dave Hobson (6:51) Steve Brown (6:51)
Col Neave (6:54) Denis O'Brien (6:56) Bill Kirland (6:58) Mark Sillins (7:11) John Gilbert (7:11) Jeff Collins (7:11) Daryl Stuckey (7:15) Phil O'Hara (7:15) Pat Fisher (7:22) John Fraser (7:23) Steve Stern (7:24) Bob Caune (7:24) John Coyle (7:33) Arthur Brown (7:45) Ian Galbraith (7:46) Denis Goodwin (7:49) Nigel Spurling (7:53) Greg Cameron (7:53) Steve Thearle (7:59) Linon Fitzgerald (7:59) Steve Holloway (8:06) Fiona McLeod (8:27) Barbara Willis (8:39).

KARATE

Tom Korhonien, Karate Instructor

Karate is many things, sport, art, hobby, way of life, self defence. Karate is best known to the public as people breaking bricks: but to the student it is not the same at all, very few students in modern karate ever break a brick.

Because Karate can be learned at any age it has become very popular. Karate originated from Kung fu which was used in self defence by priests in China, who were the oldest practitioners of martial arts.

Karate is today recognised as the best method of self defence, perhaps because it is quicker to learn and more effective than most of the other martial arts, and it does not require an excessive physical build. To develop his or her body to the karate method students do a number of different exercises. A good karate man or woman can punch, kick, block with both hands and feet equally.

Karate and the Law? To what degree can the martial artist use his or her ability in self defence. It can generally be said

that once an assailant has been disabled and all danger has passed, then the exponent can't use any further blows as such blows would be by way of revenge. He would then be liable for assault proceedings.

Which club should students join? Students should join a club recognised by F.A.K.O. the karate body recognised by the Asia Pacific Union, world union of karate organisations and the Federation of all Japan Karate Organisation.

Today's demonstration is performed by students from Karate Budokan's Queanbeyan, Canberra, Goulburn area instructed by Tom Korhonen and Mark Leppanen.
Demo. 1 Basic hand and feet techniques
2. Kata demonstration
3. Brick breaking by Tom Korhonen, senior instructor
Karate Budokan

For enquiries call Queanbeyan Y.M.C.A. or phone 97 3386, 97 3468.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

My letter is in the nature of an objection, but first of all I must say that since I left England some 27 years ago I have scarcely seen a soccer match until your publicity got to me this season and the chance of watching the City at Bruce Stadium appealed to me.

I have since watched six consecutive home matches — each of which I have thoroughly enjoyed, albeit the draws have been disappointing, particularly the one against Marconi. Peter Marinello obviously brought out a little something which seems to have been lacking on occasions with our team in the past — zip!

However, on behalf of myself and other supporters to whom I have spoken, I wish

to register an objection to the lack of sportsmanship of many of our "supporters" who consistently boo the opposing team and the referee and linesmen before they have even entered the field of play.

It seems that the mere presence of an opposing team and officials plus all decisions that go against the City are objectionable to the unsporting section of the crowd. Surely this will quickly get us a name for being bad sportsmen.

Can't those people, who seem to know only how to boo, learn to welcome our visitors with a clap and to show appreciation of all good soccer movements — by our own team AND by the visitors, also with a clap.

True, staunch supporters like to see
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REFeree UNDER A MICROSCOPE

There has recently been a lot of criticism in the newspapers and on the TV about referees. Some of this has been justified but others have been quite unfair. As a referee, with 30 years of experience in soccer I would like to express my opinion on this controversial matter.

Whenever you ask a manager-coach what result he expects, the answer is if my boys put all their talent into the play and if we get a good referee, the supporters will be happy. The answer reflects the great importance given to the referee. My intention is not to defend or criticise but to be frank and objective.

To be a good referee it is not enough to learn the law of the game and to be able to run fast. The referee must understand that the game is not for the referee but the referee is for the game. The law of the game was introduced in soccer to assure a smooth and maximum development of skill, imagination and creativity, but not to be spoiled by unsporting elements. If the referee tries hard to become the main attraction by organising a whistle concert to attract everybody's attention to him-

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their team win but let us gracefully acknowledge the hard work put in by the players of both sides and the genuine attempt by the officials on the field of play to carry out their duties as efficiently as possible — even though occasional shortcomings are obvious.

Let us all ENJOY our afternoons of soccer by cheering our own team, appreciating good soccer, giving the officials a fair go, and accepting the decisions which go against us gracefully in the name of good sportsmanship.

Yours sincerely
Stanley L. Pike

self, then he is wrong. While the game is developing smoothly and the players and spectators are enjoying the game, the referee should not be hunting to find a reason to blow the whistle just to show that he is the boss. A competition game should not be regarded by the referee as an opportunity to demonstrate that he knows all the offences and, because he has got the whistle, he will use it as often as possible.

A good referee will interfere in the play only when he is convinced that an unsporting act has been committed or an element of bad intention has been introduced into the play.

Besides the 11 paragraphs of the law of the game there is one unwritten law, commonsense. To be a good referee this law must be used intelligently. To have a constructive influence on the game the referee must be physically and mentally fit. He must have quick reflexes and he must be able to decide whether his intervention in the game will be constructive or destructive.

He must see his role as an educator, who possesses pedagogical qualities so he can stimulate the players to play creatively and let them use their skills to the maximum. He should appreciate that the players and coach put a lot of effort into the game. If the referee does not use commonsense he can destroy that effort. The coach is the educator of the players and works throughout the week with them but for 90 minutes the referee takes over and continues the role of educator, under the unwritten law of commonsense. During this time the written law compels the coach to sit silently on the bench biting his fingernails.

That is the ideal co-operation between the coach and the referee for the benefit of soccer. That is how I envisage an ideal referee. Apropos, coaches, I have a great admiration for Johnny Warren and "Uncle" Joe Vlasits, the two gentlemen of Australian soccer.

Nicolas Szego
Inspector-Game controller of the
Australian Soccer Federation

THE HOME GAME MACHINE

Canberra City's praises have been sung far and wide for the efforts that have been put into promotion and match presentation, and the subsequent record attendances that have been registered at the Bruce Stadium. If you, the spectator, have enjoyed the attractions that have been provided, then it was due to the unstinting planning and effort of the following:

The match programme is produced by Ralph Westen, whose quest for perfection has resulted in one of the finest match programmes in the Philips League.

The Ground Manager is Dennis Moir, who begins his home match stint at 10.00 a.m. at the Stadium, and is still there at 7.00 p.m. organising the cleaning up operation.

Frank Kunz is in charge of the match staging, his military precision timing of the various events, has ensured the continuity in the many excellent attractions that he has organised. Frank, assisted by his son, Steven Kunz, also manages to keep the Electronic Score Board entertaining, as well as informative. The marshalling of the ball boys and competitors in featured attractions, is the responsibility of Colin McLaughlin (who also acts as impromptu cheer leader), and Tony Battaglini. Mike O'Brien adds his professional touch as Ground Announcer.

To complete the portrait of the "Home Game Machine", there is the Supporters Club, run by Ron Wilson and Jack Evans, their fund-raising activities go on, rain or shine, assisted by Norman Knowles, Claude Li'Chiang, Ian Skilling and Barry Venn — they have raised thousands of valuable dollars for the club.

Each one of the abovementioned is a very valuable cog in the "Home Game Machine". Through their enthusiasm and hard work, we have been able to catch up, and in many cases surpass our fellow clubs

in the Philips League. The work that they have carried out has, of course, been voluntary and up until now, almost anonymous.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to thank all those concerned, and hope that their enthusiastic efforts will be continued for many a year.

Steve Doszpot
Promotions Director
Canberra City Soccer Club

CAR RAFFLE

It's on again, there is going to be a car raffle and it is going to be the same success story as last year.

Claude Li'Chiang has decided that life ain't worth living if he can't flog sufficient tickets to make a fair cop for the club. But to do that he needs YOU. So ring him on 54 5053 and offer your help to sell some tickets around the village. And if you want to know what you are flogging, have a look at the prizes.

1st Ford Cortina G.L. 2 litre Manual Station Wagon.

2nd Philips Bar Refrigerator

3rd to 15th Family Season Tickets to all P.S.L. matches at the Bruce.

(Suggestion, don't put any more than 10 but better still, 5 tickets per book. If you can't sell them you can always buy the book. Ed)

Corison Comments

TO WIN

City! You have some problems, which you must rectify before 1979 when all the matches of 1977 and 1978 will be remembered as friendlies. Competitiveness will be fierce so that means that all teams will be out to improve the quality of their playing staff to avoid that horrible word RELEGATION.

City! You must find three strikers, and they have to be players who will have the right attitude, the right temperament as well as the right skills. Maybe you will have to get them from overseas, but if you can find them in Australia — all the better.

City! If you get your strikers, then your next step is to get a majestic central defender — one who commands and demands respect, and who has the ability to lead and direct the action.

City! How are you going to get these players? You need money? OK, get your social club really firing; get your Supporter's Club to lead a huge money-raising

drive; get your Club Administration to think positively and constructively; get your Promotions Committee to increase game attendance by 50 per cent. Then City you will be able to compete in 1979; then City you will be able to find yourself being supported by 12,000 regular supporters at Bruce; then you will find that one or two matches may attract 20,000 spectators. Why? Because Canberra City will be winning, winning, winning. The Philips League and Canberra City is moving so fast that all the knockers, the non-performing players, the sarcastic club members, the negative club administrators will be OUT — OUT — OUT, trampled in the rush by those supporters and people who know how to achieve success. Let us be quite certain. If you do not move as rapidly as I have mentioned Canberra City will cease to exist — overtaken by the dynamic forces which will make the Philips League an outstanding professional soccer competition.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

9 Gould Street,
Turner, A.C.T. 2601

Editor,
Canberra Soccer News,
Dear Sir,

I would like to congratulate you on the Canberra City Soccer journal — it is well produced, and has been improving with each issue.

I feel that there is only one feature of the journal which prevents it from being in the same class as some of the major English club magazines which I saw there last year, and that is the small number of photo-

graphs presented. I suspect I am typical of most soccer fans in appreciating seeing photos of the action at both home and away matches, particularly as the ones published so far have been of such high standard — in fact some of the photographs are as good or better than their English counterparts.

I also feel that more photographs would break up the large clumps of advertisements which, while necessary, do become a bit laborious to the eye.

Yours sincerely,
Stephen Cox

Thank you, and we agree, oh, if it wasn't for that filthy lucre. — Ed.